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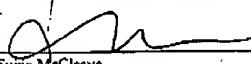
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 13, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows. Submitted herewith is a request for a one-month extension of time, extending the period for response from October 13, 2004, November 13, 2004. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

The claims are presented beginning at page 2.

Remarks begin at page 7.